Title : Need to construct a bye-pass at NH-2 .

SHRI SUNIL KHAN (DURGAPUR): Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, in spite of several meetings with the officials of the National Highways Authority of India and letters to the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, a small section of road on National Highway No.2, particularly from the Moregram Bypass point to Panagarh base area in West Bengal is yet to be constructed. The road overbridge which was constructed three years ago is already damaged and due to that, long queues of loaded trucks are being formed at Moregram Bypass point and no vehicle can move out for hours. Interestingly due to the dilly-dally tactics of a section of officers, the job is being delayed on one pretext or the other. In any case, owing to this jam on NH-2, which is the lifeline of Eastern India, trade is being hampered. The local people are of the opinion that there is collusion between the contractor and a section of the officials and that is why this delay is taking place. Therefore, I demand an immediate inquiry into the matter and construction of the road stretch at the earliest.